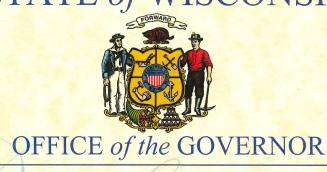
## STATE of WISCONSIN



Proclamation

WHEREAS; jazz is an original American art form that has produced some of America's leading creative artists; and

WHEREAS; jazz affirms the noblest aspirations of our national character, individual discipline, perseverance, and innovation; and

WHEREAS; jazz has spoken eloquently of freedom for people in the United States and abroad, and has become an international language that bridges differences and brings people of all races, ages, and backgrounds together; and

WHEREAS; jazz has inspired dancers, choreographers, poets, novelists, filmmakers, classical composers, and musicians, has helped unite cultures in a global environment, and has contributed to the facilitation of arts education and appreciation in our communities; and

WHEREAS; this Jazz Appreciation Month and International Jazz Day, the State of Wisconsin joins Wisconsin communities, schools, artists, historians, and jazz enthusiasts around the world in recognizing the outstanding work of our state's jazz artists, educators, and enthusiasts, and in celebrating jazz as an art form that strives to promote peace, diversity, and freedom of expression;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim April 2020 as

## JAZZ APPRECIATION MONTH

and Thursday, April 30, 2020, as

INTERNATIONAL JAZZ DAY

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of our state's residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the city of Madison this 24th day of March 2020.

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